

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation:** Industrial Engineering Technicians (17-3026)

**Associated Occupation:** Petroleum Engineers (17-2171)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 61

**Focus Occupation:** Industrial Engineering Technicians (17-3026)

**Associated Occupation:** Petroleum Engineers (17-2171)

Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Engineering and Technology	5.7	22.0	16.7	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Mathematics	9.2	17.4	15.6	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Physics	4.3	15.3	7.8	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Computers and Electronics	8.4	14.2	12.6	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Administration and Management	8.4	12.9	10.8	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Chemistry	4.8	11.6	5.7	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Economics and Accounting	4.4	11.2	6.0	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Design	5.2	9.7	13.4	>> Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
Geography	3.9	9.4	2.4	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 83

**Focus Occupation:** Industrial Engineering Technicians (17-3026)

**Associated Occupation:** Petroleum Engineers (17-2171)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Reading Comprehension	10.7	15.5	13.0	< A higher skill level may be required

Complex Problem Solving	9.1	13.5	13.2	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Writing	9.2	13.5	10.1	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Monitoring	9.9	12.8	15.5	>	Skill level is likely sufficient
Coordination	9.1	12.0	9.7	<	A higher skill level may be required
Time Management	8.9	11.8	9.1	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Systems Evaluation	6.4	11.6	12.0	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Systems Analysis	6.5	11.5	11.8	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Management of Personnel Resources	6.9	10.7	7.3	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Science	4.5	10.5	6.6	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Mathematics	6.2	10.1	12.0	>	Skill level is likely sufficient
Negotiation	6.8	9.7	8.3	<	A higher skill level may be required
Management of Material Resources	3.7	7.3	3.5	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Management of Financial Resources	3.3	7.1	3.1	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Technology Design	2.6	5.4	8.5	>>	Skill level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95			
Focus Occupation: Industrial Engineering Technicians (17-3026) Associated Occupation: Petroleum Engineers (17-2171)					
Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Written Comprehension	11.0	15.7	12.3	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Written Expression	9.8	14.8	11.5	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Inductive Reasoning	10.2	14.2	12.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Problem Sensitivity	11.1	13.9	12.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Information Ordering	9.9	12.9	10.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Category Flexibility	9.0	12.6	10.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Mathematical Reasoning	6.3	11.7	10.3	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Fluency of Ideas	7.6	11.1	10.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Time Sharing	6.6	8.5	6.6	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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## Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus  
Occupation to Associated  
Occupation: 86

**Focus Occupation: Industrial Engineering Technicians (17-3026)**  
**Associated Occupation: Petroleum Engineers (17-2171)**

Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Advise clients regarding engineering problems	67
Analyze engineering design problems	69
Analyze technical data, designs, or preliminary specifications	47
Calculate engineering specifications	64
Communicate technical information	4
Compile numerical or statistical data	38
Conduct performance testing	66
Confer with engineering, technical or manufacturing personnel	25
Evaluate engineering data	60
Evaluate manufacturing or processing systems	68
Examine engineering documents for completeness or accuracy	62
Explain complex mathematical information	30
Improve test devices or techniques in manufacturing, industrial or engineering setting	75
Inspect facilities or equipment for regulatory compliance	51
Prepare safety reports	60
Prepare technical reports or related documentation	22
Read blueprints	10
Read technical drawings	7
Test equipment as part of engineering projects or processes	67
Understand engineering data or reports	48
Use drafting or mechanical drawing techniques	50
Use mathematical or statistical methods to identify or analyze problems	30
Use spreadsheet software	18
Use technical regulations for engineering problems	61

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus  
Occupation to Associated  
Occupation: 82

**Focus Occupation: Industrial Engineering Technicians (17-3026)**  
**Associated Occupation: Petroleum Engineers (17-2171)**

Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Business function specific software	1
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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